

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JESSICA ASHBY,

Defendant.

CASE NO. CR17-0111-JCC

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant's motion for a judicial recommendation for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 130). Defendant is currently serving a 54-month sentence imposed for a non-violent drug offense. (*See id.* at 2; Dkt. Nos. 91, 92.) Her projected release date with full credit for good conduct time is February 1, 2021. (*See* Dkt. No. 130 at 2.)

Defendant asks the Court to recommend to the Bureau of Prisons that she be transferred to home confinement to serve the remainder of her sentence pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, the Second Chance Act of 2007, and 18 U.S.C. § 3621. (*See generally id.*) The parties' briefing recognizes that the Bureau of Prisons retains sole authority to transfer Defendant to home confinement, (*id.* at 1–2, Dkt. No. 132 at 1–2), and the Government describes the Bureau of Prisons' efforts to minimize the spread of the coronavirus and to screen and transfer those inmates eligible for home confinement, (Dkt. No. 132 at 5–7).

1 The Court declines to intrude upon the Bureau of Prisons' statutory mandate to determine
2 whether Defendant is eligible for a transfer to home confinement. Accordingly, Defendant's
3 motion for a judicial recommendation for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 130) is
4 DENIED.

5 DATED this 12th day of May 2020.

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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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